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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated May 20, 2005 in the above-identified application.

The Office Action enters an action on the merits of Claims 1 through 11. However, all of Claims 1 through 11 were cancelled in a Preliminary Amendment filed September 22, 2003 (i.e., on the filing date of the subject application) in favor of pending Claims 12 to 27.

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